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CLINICAL CONCENTRATION/ FIELD WORK BILL PASSES LEGISLATURE

asters level social workers will be able to take certain specified clinical post graduate courses to qualify to take the clinical licensure exam. Masters level social workers will also be able to add onto their 3,000 hours of postmasters supervised clinical practice to make up for a lack of a graduate clinical internship.

These new procedures for masters level social workers are made possible by the recent passage of Senate Bill 401. Senate Bill 401 passed the Wisconsin Senate and Assembly unanimously in early March. Governor Doyle is expected to sign the bill before the end of March.

NASW WI members should thank the following legislators for their leadership in shepherding this bill through the legislature.

State Representative Garey Bies (R-SisterBay) (Rep.Bies@legis.state.wi.us)

who served as the lead Assembly sponsor of the bill and helped to get the bill scheduled on the Assembly floor.

State Senator Dave Hansen (D-Green Bay) (Sen.Hansen@legis.state.wi.us)

who served as the lead Senate sponsor of the bill, helped to get the bill scheduled on the Senate floor and spoke on behalf of the bill on the Senate floor.

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State Senator Judy Robson (D-Beloit) (Sen.Robson@legis.state.wi.us)

who spoke on behalf of the bill on the Senate floor. Senator Robson strongly praised the work of social workers on the Senate floor when she spoke on the bill.

State Senator Carol Roessler (R-Oshkosh)

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who, while speaking on behalf of the bill on the Senate floor, identified herself as a social worker. (She graduated with a bachelors' degree in social welfare from U W Oshkosh). Senator Roessler, who was a cosponsor of the bill, served as the Committee Chair that reviewed the bill and heard testimony.

Representative Steve Kestell (R-Elkhart Lake),

after meeting with NASW WI Executive Director Marc Herstand and U W Madison Associate Director William Heiss, promptly scheduled the bill for a hearing and a vote by his Committee (Children and Families). He strongly supported the bill at the Committee hearing.

The impetus for SB 401 arose out of a rigidity in the social work certification and licensure bills that required applicants for certification and now licensure as a clinical social worker to have completed a clinical track of studies and clinical field placement in graduate school. As a result of this requirement, the Social Workers Section rejected many applicants for clinical certification and now licensure because their graduate course of studies or field placement was insufficiently clinical. A number of licensed clinical social workers moving from other states were turned down for clinical certification and now licensure for the same reason. The rigidity in the law prompted many social work students to request clinical field placements and clinical courses in their masters program even though they weren't really interested in providing clinical social work.

Once Governor Doyle signs the bill, the Social Workers Section will begin working on the rules for implementation of the bill. It is likely that the Social Workers Section will review applicants with clinical course deficiencies and determine which courses they need to take to qualify for licensure. The Social Workers Section will also determine how many supervised clinical hours above the current 3,000 hour requirement an applicant without a clinical internship needs to complete in order to qualify for licensure.

For more information on this bill, please call Marc Herstand at the NASW WI office at (toll-free) 866-462-7994 or (toll-call) 608-257-6334.



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Executive Director's Column Marc Herstand, MSW, CISW



Social Work Values And The 2003-2004 Wisconsin Legislature

Banning same sex marriages; allowing concealed weapons; allowing medical personnel to refuse to provide or even refer for eight specific legal procedures based upon their religious values; eliminating the ability of 15-17 year olds from obtaining family planning services, treatment for STD (sexually transmitted diseases) and cancer detection. These are some of the bills in the 2003-2004 Wisconsin Legislature that challenged social policy positions and even ethical standards of the social work profession.

Many of the challenges faced by social workers and other advocates of social justice in the 2003-2004 Wisconsin Legislature demonstrate the maxim that social work values are not necessarily congruent with societal values. The struggle for social justice and social change is an ongoing process, which necessitates a lifetime commitment.

The attempt to ban same sex marriages both in Wisconsin and nationwide either by law or constitutional amendment is a clear example of a legislative policy reflecting overall majority societal values but clearly not social work values. On the one hand, Social Work Speaks, clearly directs NASW Chapters to advocate for domestic partnership and marriage legislation that includes lesbian, gay and bisexual people. NASW WI views the issue of same sex marriage as an issue of basic civil rights. On the other hand, a majority of state legislatures and the U.S. Congress have passed laws restricting marriage to one man and one woman. The state and national legislative action probably reflects the fact that according to polls, a majority of citizens do not support same sex marriage. However, we see these values changing over time. While polls reports that a majority of people over 30 do not support same sex marriages, the same polls show support for same sex marriages for individuals under 30. My son's high school here in Madison has a strong and active Gay-Straight Alliance and a majority of young people do not have a problem with same sex marriage. I think many of us see American society accepting Gay and Lesbian domestic partnership, civil union and even marriage within a generation. Our efforts now are to fight against backlash and move the process forward.

Another 2003-2004 legislative initiative that violates social work standards of professional conduct and our Code of Ethics is Assembly Bill 67. This bill would have allowed medical professionals, including doctors, nurses and pharmacists to deny services or even referral to clients for procedures (including abortion, birth control, sterilization) for which they are philosophically opposed. This bill contradicts the

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CHEMICAL ABUSE VS. DEPENDENCE Why the difference for Clinical Social Workers?

Recently the Joint AODA Task Force of the Department of Health and Family Services and the Department of Regulation and Licensing reached agreement on guidelines for AODA counseling by clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists and professional counselors.

This agreement distinguishes between treatment of persons diagnosed with substance abuse and treatment of persons diagnosed with substance dependence. This article is intended to explain some of the rationale behind this distinction.

The understanding of substance abuse disorders has progressed considerably in the last few years to the point where the DSM-IV now differentiates between substance abuse and dependency for most psychoactive substances. Identifying differences between abuse and dependency allows us to identify differing treatment needs and optimal treatment responses to address these differing needs.

According to the DSM-IV manual, substance abuse can be diagnosed when one or more of the following occurs within a 12-month period:

- (1) Recurrent substance use resulting in a failure to fulfill major role obligations at work, school or home.
- (2) Recurrent substance use in situations in which it is physically hazardous (e.g. while operating a motor vehicle or machinery)
- (3) Recurrent substance-related legal problems.
- (4) Continued substance use despite having persistent or recurrent social or interpersonal problems caused or exacerbated by the effects of the substance.

In addition, the client must never have met the criteria for substance dependence for this class of substance.

In short, substance abuse occurs when a person's use of psychoactive substances interferes with his or her psychological or social functioning. In contrast, the DSM IV defines substance dependence to have occurred when there is a maladaptive pattern of substance use, leading to clinically significant impairment or distress as manifested by three or more of the following in the same twelve month period:

(1) Increased tolerance as shown by either a need for markedly increased amounts of the substance to achieve intoxication or the desired effect or markedly diminished effect with continued use of the same amount of the substance.

- (2) Withdrawal as manifested by either the withdrawal syndrome for the substance used or by the same or a similar substance taken to relieve or avoid withdrawal symptoms.
- (3) The substance is often taken in larger amounts or over a longer period than was intended.
- (4) There is a persistent desire or unsuccessful efforts to cut down or control substance use.
- (5) A great deal of time is spent in activities necessary to obtain, use or recover from using the substance.
- (6) Important, social, occupational, or recreational activities are given up or reduced because of substance use.
- (7) The substance use is continued despite knowledge of having persistent or recurrent physical or psychological problems that are likely to have been caused or exacerbated by the substance.

This substance dependence definition reveals a further progression of effects of substance use. Criteria one and two above indicate that biological changes have occurred as a result of substance use. Criteria three and four indicate loss of control over the ability to choose whether or not to use the substance. Criteria five and six indicate increasing psychological preoccupation with obtaining the psychoactive substance and an ingrained pattern of substance use. Criterion seven reinforces the concept of loss of control because it shows the inability to discontinue substance use in spite of psychological or medical contraindications.

The characteristics of dependence show us that effective intervention with substance dependence requires medical monitoring of withdrawal and health concerns, intensive social supports and therapy to address issues of loss of control and wide ranging aftercare services to assist addicted individuals to repair the bio-psycho-social consequences of the dependency.

Clinical social workers in the course of offering behavioral health services often treat persons who are abusive of substances. It may be appropriate for a clinical social worker practicing within his or her training to address the substance abuse as a psychosocial issue. The AODA compromise continues to allow this practice. (The social work code of ethics clearly requires that social workers practice only within our areas of expertise. Therefore, clinical social workers wishing to address abuse issues do need to seek adequate preparation and education.)

Clinical social workers who are not substance abuse treatment specialists or who do not work in certified AODA treatment facilities are usually not in a circumstance where they can provide the services appropriate to fully address substance dependency. Therefore, referral to AODA specialists or certified AODA treatment facilities is both appropriate and best practice. The compromise reached by the AODA Task Force encourages clinical social workers to follow this course.

CHEMICAL ABUSE

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It may be the case, however, that a substance dependent individual is unwilling to accept referral to the most appropriate treatment resource. Clinical social workers have a number of skills that can be used to attempt to motivate these clients to seek treatment. The AODA compromise allows us to continue to do this.

Once the substance dependent individual has completed AODA treatment it may be necessary to address the co-occurring psychological or social issues to reinforce this individual's recovery and motivate continued recovery. The AODA compromise recognizes that this is an appropriate role for clinical social workers as well.

The AODA Task Force agreement seeks to achieve a balance by allowing clinical social workers to utilize their skills to address substance use issues while maintaining the emphasis on providing best The Clergy Abuse Bill, SB 207 (Passed) practice care to those with substance use problems.

Legislative Updates

Employment Discrimination for healthcare professionals AB 67 (passed)

This bill is intended to block hospitals and other health care agencies from making hiring and firing decisions based on an employee's willingness to perform or participate in eight particular medical procedures. These procedures include abortion, sterilization, assisted suicide, experiments on a human embryo (not for the beneficial treatment of the embryo), using fetal tissues, and withholding nutrition or hydration if the result would mean death for the patient. According to this bill participation in these eight activities includes not only performing the procedure, but also refusal to recommend, provide information or referrals to the client. This bill does not allow for any exception. No healthcare agency, hospital, or medical facility may refuse to hire or fire an employee based on the individual's refusal for religious purposes to participate in any of the eight procedures.

NASW WI opposes this bill because it violates women's right to choice; it violates a client's right to self-determination and information, and it violates the client's right to receive adequate, competent services.

The fate of this bill is now in the Governor's hands. The Governor intends to veto this bill. The chance of the Legislature overriding this bill is unlikely. The Senate was two votes short in the Senate and 10 votes short in the Assembly

Mental Health Insurance SB 71 (passed) and SB 72 (died)

SB 71 and SB 72 are two bills that would change the way and amount mental health services would be billed. Currently a group health insurance policy that covers inpatient or outpatient hospital services must cover services for the treatment of nervous and mental disorders, alcoholism and other drug abuse problems. For inpatient services the

minimum amount of coverage must be \$7000 and \$2000 for outpatient services. SB 71 would prohibit the minimum coverage from including prescription drugs and certain diagnostic test. SB 72 would raise the minimum coverage to \$16,800 for inpatient services and \$3,100 for outpatient services. Both of these bills would help bring mental health coverage requirements up-to-date. The original coverage minimums were set back in 1985, before health care cost had skyrocketed.

Both houses of the Legislature passed SB 71, but SB 72 was never even scheduled for the Senate floor. SB 72 was passed out of the Committee on Health, Children, Families, Aging, and Long Term Care. It was referred to the Organization Committee, who schedules bills for the Senate floor. Senator Panzer who heads this committee refused to schedule the bill. She said that she wanted to wait on this bill because she intends to introduce a health care reform bill in a special session. We recently received notice from Panzer's office that neither this bill nor these issues will be apart of that package.

The Clergy Abuse Bill, SB 207, makes clergy mandatory reporters of child abuse and neglect except in the instance of confidential communication made in a private or confessional setting. This bill also permits victims of clergy abuse to bring suit against the offender as well as the religious institution if the leaders of the institution knew or should have known that the clergy member was engaging in sexual misconduct with a minor. This bill sets the statute of limitations at the age of 35 for civil suits and age 45 for criminal suits for any individual who while a minor, had suffered from sexual abuse by a clergy member.

This bill passed the Senate with one amendment. The Senate rejected an amendment to provide a one-year provision for those victims of clergy abuse who had already exceeded the statute of limitations regarding the ability to bring action against the clergy offender. The Senate passed an amendment that eliminated the reporting rules for clergy regarding information obtained from lay people. The Assembly, however, countered the Senate amendment with an Assembly amendment that restored the reporting rules for clergy, making them mandatory reporters. The Senate has concurred in the Assembly's amendment. Thus, this bill will be sent to GovernorDoyle, who is expected to veto it.

Concealed Weapon Bill, SB 214, (Passed-Vetoed)

The bill that would have allowed 'law abiding' citizens the right to carry concealed firearms in most public places passed the Legislature in October of 2003. Governor Doyle vetoed the bill in November. At the beginning of this year the Legislature attempted to override the Governors veto. In order for this to happen 2/3rds of both houses needed to vote in favor of the veto override. The Senate was successful, but the override failed in the Assembly by one vote. Representative Gary Sherman, who had originally voted in favor of SB 214, changed his vote to support the Governor's veto.

Anti-Gay Marriage Bill, AB 475 (Passed-Vetoed)

This bill that would have made a state statute that only marriage between one man and one woman would be recognized in the State of

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Wisconsin, passed the Legislature in the fall of 2003. The Governor vetoed this bill stating that it was redundant, since state law already defines marriage between one man and one woman. The Legislature attempted to override the veto, but this action failed by one vote in the Assembly before it even reached the Senate. The most recent development in this issue is that the Legislature has introduced a Constitutional Amendment, AJR 66, to prohibit gay marriage. See the article on AJR 66 for more information.

Family Planning Waiver AB634 (died)

The Family Planning Waiver (FPW) is a Medicaid program designed to assist women ages 15 to 17, with family planning services including breast exams, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, cervical cancer screens, and contraceptive counseling and devises. AB 634 eliminates women ages 15 to 18 from eligibility. Despite partisan efforts to move the bill out of committee and onto the Assembly floor, the bill died. It was never scheduled for the floor.

Threatening Bodily Harm To a Social Worker SB 312 (died)

Under current law it is a Class H Felony to threaten bodily harm to certain people or their families. These people include, judges, witnesses, or an official, employee or agent of the Department of Revenue, Department of Commerce, or Department of Workforce. The penalties for this crime include a fine up to \$10,000, imprisonment up to six years, or both. SB 312 would have extended this law to include individuals and their families who are social service workers (under contract or employed by a government agency), juvenile intake workers, or school employees. This bill passed the Senate. It was referred to the Assembly's Committee on Criminal Justice, but this committee never voted it out. Thus, the bill died because it never reached the Assembly floor for a vote.

Minors 14 and up consent for voluntary in/out patient mental health treatment, SB 387 (died)

Under current law, minors ages 14 and up and their parents or legal guardians must both consent to voluntary outpatient or inpatient mental health treatment. This bill, SB 387, would eliminate the requirement that the minor 14 and up would have to give his or her informed consent. This bill also changes the current law regarding discharge. A minor 14 and up who is in a voluntary inpatient treatment facility may request discharge, but under the bill only the juvenile court, and not the treatment facility, may grant the request. A minor 14 and up who is in a involuntary treatment facility may not petition on his or her own behalf for discharge, under the provisions of this bill. SB 387 also limits the minor 14-17 right to access his or her own court or treatment records and it eliminates the minor 14-17 right to give consent for the release of his or her confidential records without parental consent. At a public hearing the Committee on Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care heard many concerns about the bill. Senator Roessler, Chair of the committee and lead sponsor of the bill, decided to address the concerns and revise the bill. We may expect to see a similar bill introduced in the next Legislative session. At this time NASW WI has not taken a position on this bill.

Domestic Abuse and Child Custody, AB 279, (Signed into Law)

On February 27, 2004 Governor Doyle signed the bill that changes how the court may award custody of any minor children in cases regarding domestic (spousal) abuse situations. Previous law requires that the court assume that joint custody is in the best interest of the child. There were guidelines for the court to determine if joint or sole custody would be detrimental to the child's mental, physical, or emotional health. One of the guidelines is that the parties will not be able to cooperate in future decision making. This law establishes that evidence of a pattern or serious incident of spousal abuse gives the court the reasonable presumption that the two parties will not be able to cooperate in future decision making. This new law states that if "by a preponderance of evidence one parent has engaged in a pattern or serious incident of spousal abuse," then there is a presumption that joint or legal custody is not in the best interest of the child. This law is now called Wisconsin Act 130.

False Reports to Mandatory Reporters, AB 646 (died)

This bill criminalizes the intentional making of a false child abuse or neglect report to a mandatory reporter. It also assigns penalties, up to \$1,000 or imprisonment up to 90 days, for a person guilty of this crime. The Committee on Children and Families passed this bill out with a 4 to 3 vote. The Rules Committee, which is responsible for scheduling bills for the floor in the Assembly, never scheduled the bill. NASW WI opposed this bill because of concerns this type of law would discourage conscientious citizens from reporting valid suspicions of child abuse and neglect.

Amendment to require public approval for tax or spending increases, AJR 55 (pending)

This bill proposes a change to the Wisconsin Constitution regarding how fiscal decisions are made on the state and local level. Representative Lasee and Senator Reynolds introduced this bill back in November of 2003. The intention of AJR 55 is to remove spending and taxing decisions from the Legislature and local governing bodies. The provisions of the bill require that increases in taxing and/or spending must be publicly approved in a referendum.

This bill would limit spending increases for public schools to the rate of inflation and the change in population or the school district's enrollment. Counties and municipalities would also have their spending growth limited to inflation plus the increase in new construction. It will require a public referendum for any state or local increases in taxing and/or spending. With two-thirds vote in each house, the Legislature may approve a temporary, short-term emergency tax increase that does not have to be passed by referendum. This bill also requires that any excess tax revenues (income above the budgeted amount) be returned to the public by initiating tax cuts. The state or local government cannot spend excess taxes unless the public approves spending increases. Finally, the bill requires that funding levels be established for the purpose of an emergency fund and a budget stabilization fund.

Currently this bill has not gone beyond a public hearing. We have been informed that this issue will be addressed in a special session. At this time, we do not have any additional information about when or if this bill will in fact be scheduled. NASW WI opposes AJR 55.

Wisconsin Legislature Passes Constitutional Amendment Banning Gay Marriages

In March 2004, following marathon sessions, both the State Senate and State Assembly, passed AJR 66, which would amend the Wisconsin constitution to read, "Only a marriage between one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in this state. A legal status identical or substantially similar to that of marriage for unmarried individuals shall not be valid or recognized in this state."

The wording of the second sentence has raised concerns that it would restrict Gays and Lesbians from receiving domestic partnership benefits, which are recognized in the cities of Milwaukee and Madison and by a number of private companies in Wisconsin.

In the Senate, State Senator Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee) introduced twelve amendments that would allow exceptions to the constitutional amendment for hospital visitation, making funeral arrangements, health insurance, adoptions, inheritance or probate, child custody, living wills, power of attorney, and domestic partnerships. One amendment would replace one man and one woman with one undivorced man and one undivorced woman. All of Senate Carpenter's amendments were rejected by a mostly partisan vote. (One Democrat, Senator Roger Breske (D-Eland) voted with the Republicans on this bill).

In order for this resolution to become part of the Wisconsin State Constitution, it would need to pass in two consecutive legislative sessions and then pass in a statewide referendum.

NASW WI has taken a strong stance in opposition to both to the original Defense of Marriage Act vetoed by Governor Doyle and the proposed constitutional amendment. NASW WI's position is based upon policies found in Social Work Speaks. The chapter entitled, "Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Issues found in The 6th Edition of NASW's Social Work Speaks, reads "NASW supports working toward implementation of domestic partnership and marriage legislation at local, state, and national levels that include lesbian, gay and bisexual people. It endorses the development and dissemination of model antidiscrimination and domestic partnership and/or marriage legislation that can be used in municipal, state and national legislatures . . . NASW encourages adoption of laws that recognize inheritance, insurance, same-sex marriage, child custody, property, and other rights in lesbian, gay and bisexual relationships."

NASW WI members who would like to help in efforts to prevent a constitutional amendment banning same sex marriage can call ACTION Wisconsin at 608/441-0143 or toll-free 866/441-0143

Don't Know Much About NASW's Political Action Process?

Social Work Speaks, NASW's public policy statement regards participation in electoral politics as critical and encourages political action of individual members and the association as a whole. It is critical that social workers are involved in the election of candidates who support NASW's values, issues and ethics. Of course, the overall goal of this activity is to build political relationships with elected leaders that will result in a favorable action on NASW's political priorities, as well as implementing public policy that supports the needs of those we serve.

Political activity occurs on a number of levels within NASW. Political Action for Candidate Election (PACE) is the national political action arm of NASW. As a political action committee, PACE endorses and financially contributes to candidates for the U.S. House and Senate seats as well as Presidential candidates. NASW's policy positions are based on issues found in NASW's policy statements as outlined in Social Work Speaks.

On the state level, the Wisconsin Social Workers Political Action Committee (WI Social Workers PAC) has the authority to endorse and make financial contributions to candidates for state and local offices. At both the national and state chapter level, an endorsement process and criteria are established including such things as issues that the candidates support or oppose. Endorsements are based on candidate's support of NASW's policy agenda, not political party affiliation.

The NASW Code of Ethics describes social workers ethical responsibility to the broader society requiring that: "Social workers should be aware of the impact of the political arena on practice, and should advocate for changes in policy and legislation to improve social conditions on order to meet basic human needs and promote social justice." (6.04)

Social Work Speaks also addresses the issue of voter participation and supports a number of policies to get more voters to the polls including the involvement of social work professionals and students in the election process to work against voter intimidation, particularly intimidation of historically oppressed populations. Social workers are encouraged to educate clients to be informed voters and mobilize them to cast their ballots.

One of the ways that a social worker can meet this ethical obligation is to become informed of the legislative issues of NASW and cast their vote for candidates who support NASW issues and policy. An easy way to determine which candidates to cast your ballot for is by reading the Wisconsin Social Worker for information on candidate endorsement and NASW's support or opposition of legislative issues. The state of Wisconsin had made it easy to identify who represents you in both the Wisconsin and US Congress at www.legis.state.wi.us/waml/. Upcoming

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issues of the *Wisconsin Social Worker* and the *NASW News* will list endorsed candidates at the state and national level. With nearly 2,500 NASW members in Wisconsin, by simply voting, we can have tremendous influence in the 2004 elections and major influence on legislation, government and policy.

Social workers are also needed to support endorsed candidates including volunteering for a candidate's campaign, encouraging other social workers and coworkers to support endorsed candidates and writing letters to the editors. New WI Social Workers PAC members are also needed to assist in establishing the endorsement criteria for the 2004 elections to endorse candidates.

In addition to affecting change with individual clients and families, social workers also have an obligation to work for change in public policy and the political arena to support the needs of those we serve. Participation in the upcoming electoral process can have tremendous influence.

-Wendy Volz Daniels, MSW, LCSW

In Wisconsin, all 99 representatives to the state assembly are included on every general election ballot because the terms for these offices are two years. Wisconsin's 33 state senators are elected for 4-year terms. Even-numbered senate districts will elect their senators this year in concert with the presidential election years. Odd numbered senate districts elect their senators in the year when a gubernatorial election is held

There are several races already promising to provide great challenges. Some early announcements include State Senator Mark Meyer (D-32nd Senate district), La Crosse, who will not seek re-election this fall. Mark has served in the State Senate for four years after serving six years in the State Assembly. At the moment, there are no announced candidates for this seat. State Representative Steve Foti (R-38th Assembly district), Oconomowoc, the Assembly majority leader has also announced that he will not seek re-election. He was charged last year with a felony for using state employees under the old caucus system for political work. Representative Foti is currently the longest serving Republican in the Assembly having served as a legislator for 22 years. In addition, in the 58th Assembly district, State Representative Glenn Grothman (R) West Bend, will be challenged by Dennis Uhlig. Watch the *Wisconsin Social Worker* for more information about NASW endorsed candidates.

-Wendy Volz Daniels, MSW, LCSW

2004 Election Outlook

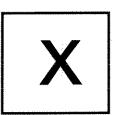
The Wisconsin primary election has now narrowed the Democratic field of presidential candidates to a two man race toward the party nomination to be awarded at the Democratic National Convention in Boston later this summer. In addition to what is expected to be a strong battle for the White House, several other national seats are also up for election this fall.

All congressional representative seats are on the general election ballot as the terms for these offices are two years. State Representative Shirley Krug (D) and former Democratic Party Chair Matt Flynn (D) have announced their intentions to run for the 4th Congressional District to fill the vacancy created by U.S. Representative Jerry Kleczka's announced retirement at the conclusion of his term. State Senator Gwen Moore has announced the formation of an exploratory committee and there is substantial speculation that State Senator Tim Carpenter will also enter the race. Bryan Kennedy (D), whose wife is a social worker, has announced his candidacy opposing U.S. Representative F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., who has held the 5th Congressional seat since 1978.

U.S. Senator Russ Feingold (D), who serves a six year term, is also up for re-election. He is being challenged by three Republicans. Watch *NASW News* for Political Action for Candidate Election (PACE) endorsed candidates on the national level.

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September 14th
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November 2nd

Executive Director's Column

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core Code of Ethics value 1.06 (b) of not taking unfair advantage of a professional relationship or exploit others to further ...religious ...interests" as well as a social workers' Commitment to Clients 1.01, Self-Determination, 1.02 and Informed Consent, 1.03. NASW WI wrote a letter to Governor Doyle, citing our Code of Ethics, asking him to veto the legislation. Governor Doyle has announced that he will veto the legislation.

NASW WI and other social advocacy organizations also faced major struggles in opposing the Concealed Weapons bill, and protecting the ability of 15-17 year olds to access family planning, STD (sexually transmitted diseases) treatment and cancer detection services. Although polls show that most citizens do not support a concealed weapons bill, in this case the chief lobbying group, the National Rifle Association, exerts enormous power at the Wisconsin Legislature. NASW WI and many other lobbying groups such as the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, organized against this bill. Governor Doyle's veto of the concealed weapons bill was upheld by one vote. This issue will need the continued vigilance by advocacy groups, as the National Rifle Association will undoubtedly bring this issue up again in the next legislative session.

The issue of access by 15-17 year olds for family planning services, STD prevention and treatment and cancer detection raises conflicts between societal and/or traditional religiously based values of abstinence only policies versus a more nuanced and what some would say more realistic prevention and public health policy. Planned Parenthood and other groups worked extremely hard to communicate the potential harm of this bill to legislators and ultimately it was not scheduled for a vote.

In contrast to legislative bills contrary to NASW WI positions and values, there were at least two bills of significance that passed the Legislature that were supported by advocacy organizations along with NASW WI. Senate Bill 279 would protect battered women and their children by presuming that joint custody is not in the best interests of children where there is a serious incident or pattern of domestic violence. Domestic violence advocacy groups had worked on this bill for the last two legislative sessions. Their persistence and good lobbying skills paid off

Another bill of significance passed by the Wisconsin Legislature was the clergy abuse bill prompted by the scandal of clergy abuse and cover-up by the Catholic Archdiocese. (Although clergy abuse is not restricted only to the Catholic Church.) Although victims and advocacy groups were disappointed by not obtaining a one-year release on the statute of limitations, they were relieved that they were able to keep the mandatory reporter provision in the law. The State Senate initially removed the requirement making clergy mandatory reporters of child abuse and neglect on a strict party line vote-all Republicans voted to remove the requirement and all Democrats voted to retain the

requirement. After intense organizing and lobbying by victim and advocacy groups spearheaded by NASW WI member Mary Guenther, the Assembly, on a unanimous vote, put the mandatory reporter provision back in the law.

A major disappointment for NASW WI and such groups as the Alliance for the Mentally ill, the Wisconsin Psychological Association, the Mental Health Association and the Wisconsin Association of Alcohol and Drug Agencies was the inability to get a vote on the mental health/ AODA insurance bill, SB 72. This bill was a compromise watered down version of the full mental health parity bill that had been introduced in the previous two legislative sessions. SB 72 would have raised the minimum mandate for inpatient mental health and alcohol and other drugs services overall from \$7,000 to \$16,800 and from \$2,000 to \$3,100 for outpatient services. The defeat of this bill demonstrated the power of Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce. National Federation of Independent Businesses and Wisconsin Association of Health Plans with the leadership of the Republican Party. Despite the fact that there are enough individual Democratic and Republican legislators to pass the bill, Senate Majority Leader Mary Panzer did not bring the bill to a vote. Senator Panzer's inaction is curious given the fact that she had been the main sponsor of the full Mental Health Parity bill in past legislative sessions and had stated that if she became Majority Leader, she would pass the bill out of the Senate.

After failing to get either a mental health/AODA parity or insurance bill passed in three legislative sessions, it might be time for advocates to develop a more aggressive confrontational strategy. Although more and more legislators in both parties are understanding the need for treatment of mental illness and alcohol and other drug abuses, the three special interest groups listed above are so powerful politically that they have been able to prevent votes on the bill.

With the 2004 elections around the corner, I would encourage NASW WI members to challenge candidates on their stances on these issues at public forums, in personal letters or emails and letters to the editor. We need to continue to educate legislators and the public on issues of social justice concern. We can all have a part in making our

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The State of Child Welfare

That Wisconsin failed the recent federal audit of its child welfare system comes as no surprise, given that all 42 previously studied states also failed. The *Child and Family Services Review* looked at three child outcome measures: safety, permanency, and well-being. We received a 'substantial conformance' rating on just one of the seven performance items in child well-being. The state received a 'substantial conformance' rating in three of seven systemic factors. While the specifics of the findings are too detailed to be listed here, the report can be found at http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/cwreview/index.htm

DCFS is developing a *Program Enhancement Plan (PEP)* to bring us into compliance in the 10 areas of nonconformance within a two-year period, at which time the federal government will conduct a follow-up study. Financial penalties on the state's receipt of federal dollars can be a consequence of continued noncompliance, so the stakes are high.

Foster Care: Voices from the Inside is a report released by the Pew Commission on Children in Foster Care. Over half a million children are in foster care nationally (10,000 annually in Wisconsin). In this report, foster children and birth, foster, and adoptive parents poignantly discuss the price they and we all pay for what is described as "a child welfare system that is overly reliant on foster care." The report implicates a federal financing system structured in such a way that it limits states' ability to provide services that could avoid placement or shorten placement length. This report and other foster care related reports are available at www.pewfostercare.org.

Taken together, these two reports open the lens for viewing child welfare practice in our state and nation. Imbedded in these reports are suggestions for opportunities to improve outcomes, i.e. child wellbeing, for abused and neglected children. Let's not miss these opportunities.

NASW-WI was not invited to participate in preparing the PEP. Our hope is that the plan proposes real changes in how Adoption and Safe Families Act (ASFA) requirements are implemented verses simply adding more regulations, more documentation, and more training for already overburdened staff. Closer collaboration with consumers and direct service staff would be a good place to start.

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Elvira Craig de Silva Announces Run for NASW National President-Elect

My name is Elvira Craig de Silva. I am running for President-Elect of NASW national. I have practiced Social Work in a variety of capacities for the last 40 years. I obtained a Doctorate in Social Work in Argentina, did post-graduate work in Clinical Psychology in Madrid, Spain and completed doctoral Studies in Sociology and Latin American Studies at Rutgers University, New Jersey.

While in New Jersey I was the Coordinator of the Labor Industrial Focus Team at Rutgers Mental Health Center. Later on I became a professor at the Graduate School of Social Welfare, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee where I taught for a period of 15 years. In 1989 I accepted the position of Associate Dean of Communication Skills and Social Science at Waukesha County Technical College in Wisconsin. I have worked extensively with the Hispanic community both in New Jersey and Wisconsin. My special areas of interest are women, families, cultural competency and diversity. Lately I have developed programs in the area of medical interpretation to improve services to the Spanish-speaking population seeking medical services.

I have been an active member of NASW since 1980. At present I am Second-Vice President for NASW national.I was President of the Wisconsin Chapter in 96-98, elected twice to Delegate Assembly, chair and member of various committees and task forces. If I am the chosen candidate for President-Elect I expect to promote the function of NASW by working closely with the chapters and the national office to facilitate access and exchange of best practices, advance strategies to create social work jobs, champion the issues of diversity and the continuous implementation of our Code of Ethics.

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Presidents Column

Rosalie Migas, MSW



Final thoughts:

This is my last column as President of the Wisconsin chapter of NASW. I am looking forward to my role as "past-president" and am ready to pass the torch to the next President, Karen Jick. From what I have seen, Karen is destined be one of the best presidents the chapter has ever had. I am happy she is following me and not vice versa; I am not sure I could live up to the standard she will be setting.

As I have discovered, being President takes a tremendous amount of energy and work. I have been fortunate to have many NASW members help me in my role. Many thanks to Elliot Lubar, our treasurer, who has translated many a financial statement to make it understandable not only to me, but other board members as well. More importantly, Elliot's knowledge of organizational management has greatly aided the organization. The board secretary, Diane Brandt, has done a marvelous job insuring that our work as a board has been accurately recorded. This is not an easy task when the meetings can last up to 6 hours. I am even more amazed at her ability to accurately transcribe meetings when they are facilitated over the phone. Many thanks to Kim Barovic who has willingly proofed my columns and diplomatically suggested changes, as needed.

It has also been a pleasure working with many of our committee chairs. Both Vern Weeks and Ruth Ann Berkholtz have devoted much time and energy to the Professional Regulation and Standards Committee. Their work on behalf of clinical social workers, and their clients has been instrumental in advancing the practice of social work. Joan Goessel and Donna Ulteig have been major players in insuring our annual conference is a success.

My primary concern about NASW is this: The majority of the social workers I have mentioned are all within the "average age" of NASW members, which is to say they are all in their 50's. If NASW is to remain a vital organization, it is imperative that younger social workers become active members of our organization. My goal is to recruit those young and idealistic social workers to take my place within NASW. I would ask all experienced social workers to join me in this task.

Clinical Section News Nancy Shepherd LCSW



I look forward to seeing you at the conference, on Thursday, at the lunch-time Clinical Networking Session.

THE NEXT CLINICAL SECTION MEETING: Eve Lipchik, LMFT, LCSW, BCD, co-developer of Solution-focused Brief Therapy, and an AAMFT approved supervisor, among other things, has lectured extensively in the US and abroad. She has numerous publications, including the most recent, Beyond Technique in Solution-focused Therapy: Working with Emotions and the Therapeutic Relationship. She has kindly consented to be our speaker on April 23, on Solution-focused Brief Therapy.

In this 2 hour workshop, Eve will challenge the popular belief that the practice of Solution-focused Therapy consists of no more than its techniques, such as Miracle Questions, Except Questions and Scaling Questions. She will describe how emphasis on the solution-focused philosophy & the therapeutic relationship provide the context in which these techniques work best. Participants will be introduced to new theoretical assumptions; the idea that emotions are an important part of this approach; & the concept of dual track thinking, a self-reflecting process for making decisions in relation to clients.

We will meet from 9:30 AM to noon, so we get 2 full hours of the presentation, as well as networking & fast-breaking news. We meet at the South Police District meeting room, 825 Hughes Place, off South Park Street near the beltline (Hwys 12 & 18). Hughes is between the McDonalds & the Mobil Station. If you need better directions, call or email me. We generally have good treats and you get 2 free continuing ed. hours!

The speaker for our October 22 meeting will be Bob Severt, who has a great deal of experience doing anger management with adolescent males in groups.

MILWAUKEE MEETINGS: The Clinical Section and the Wisconsin Clinical Social Work Society are working together to get some networking going in the Milwaukee area. About 15 clinical social workers met in January at Rogers Memorial Hospital for the first gathering. They plan to meet again...stay posted.

ETHICS & BOUNDARIES: Our Ethics & Boundaries workshop went real well. Good information, interesting discussion & a real reasonable price. If your group would like your own E & B workshop, tailored to your needs, contact Pam Phillips Olson, LCSW, at opampo@onebox.com for further info.

SUPERVISION: I still don't know, as of this time, whether or not we still need to have a supervisor sign off on the diagnosis/Rx. for psychotherapy and/or the treatment plan. Do be aware that the waiver allowing supervision groups, does not yet extend to the requirements for the federal programs (Medicare & MA, for sure, but I don't know about Champus).

DISCOUNT MEDICATIONS: www.needymeds.com, run by a social worker & a physician, lists over 1,200 medications and more than 240 patient assistance programs for folks who have a hard time affording their meds.

CHILD & ADOLESCENT DISORDER: Two web sites with good information are www.nimh.nih.gov/publicat/bipolarupdate.cfm and www.bpkids.org.

A MAJOR LIBRARY: The state of Wisconsin, Department of Public Instruction, has a website, maintained by the WI Reference & Loan Library called www.badgerlink.net. The purpose is to provide us with quality on line information. They have no end of periodicals. What a luxury.

TWELVE PITFALLS FOR PSYCHOTHERAPISTS: From an article forwarded to me by Jim Daubert, LCSW, which was written by a lawyer, O. Brandt Caudill, Jr., who defends clinicians, this is #7 and #8 of the 12 pitfalls for psychotherapists. The first error was Excessive or Inappropriate Self Disclosure. The 2nd was Business Relationships with Patients. The 3rd error was Using Techniques Without Proper Training. #4 was Using Incorrect Diagnosis Deliberately. The 5th error is Avoiding the Medical Model, and the 6th was 'The True Love Exception' for Sexual Relationships. #7 is Inadequate Notes. Notes are essential for survival. They should be accurate & meaningful in terms of content. They should indicate what was said by the patient, as precisely as possible, and what you said or did about the patient's communication. Don't agree to not take notes at a patient's request. #8 is Failure to Obtain an Adequate History. The history is necessary to establish the context of the diagnosis. As a general matter, the history should include the presenting symptoms, any prior therapy, the history of mental illness in the patient's family of origin, physical/medical conditions, educational history, marital status, medications, the duration of symptoms, the date of the last medical exam, and (these were written by a lawyer!) whether the patient has been involved in litigation. I'll review more next issue.

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SOCIAL WORKERS IN THE NEWS

The January 11 edition of the Wisconsin State Journal featured a Know Your Madisonian article on social worker Kathleen Lemke. Lemke works as the Executive Director of Women In Transition and has been helping women learn to live with severe mental illness for 21 years.

RICE LAKE CHRONOTYPE 01/11/2004 "School Board Approves Joint Truancy Project" ABSTRACT: At its meeting Monday, Jan. 12, the Rice Lake Board of Education unanimously supported entering into a truancy prevention program in cooperation with three other area school districts, the Barron County Department of Health and Human Services and the Barron County Restorative Justice Programs. Made possible at no cost to the partners by a 1-year federal grant renewable for up to 3 years, the program hires certified and licensed social workers to provide truancy prevention services and other social work services.

LA CROSSE TRIBUNE (WWW) 01/16/2004 "Gundersen Lutheran's Burelbach Receives Highest Credential From NASW"ABSTRACT: Jennifer Burelbach, MSSA, DCSW, an outpatient therapist in Behavioral Health at Gundersen Lutheran—Onalaska Annex, recently earned her Diplomate in Clinical Social Work (DCSW) credential from the National Association of Social Workers (NASW). The DCSW distinguishes advanced clinical practice expertise and is the NASW's highest professional clinical certification. The distinction is a great benefit for Gundersen Lutheran.

On January 20 The Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune printed an article written by Clinical Social Worker Linda Buchs-Hammonds entitled, "Feeling sad, alone? Help is available". Buchs-Hammonds wrote the article to respond to the doubling of the suicide rate in Wood County in 2003 compared to 2002. The article was addressed to teenagers and young adults who might be feeling hopeless and suicidal to let them know there are not alone and that help is available.

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ABSTRACT:Helping Phillips Middle School students become more tolerant and respectful of one another is a goal of Diversity Week, which is being observed at PhMS Jan. 26-30. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade student council representatives and seventh grade students on the Phillips Youth Action Board assisted school social worker Kathy Feuerer with planning and promoting the week's events.

DUNN COUNTY NEWS (WWW) 01/28/2004 "Four Write-Ins File For Local School Board" Author: Barbara Lyon ABSTRACT: Kristin Korpela, who works as the Family and Children's Services manager for Dunn County Human Services, was the first to offer her time and talents as a potential school board member. In an email response, she outlined her reasons for running. "I have spent my adult life serving and advocating for children. First as a social worker and now as a social work supervisor, I have recognized the importance of being a voice for those least able to speak for themselves."

MARSHFIELD NEWS HERALD (WWW)01/29/2004 "Don't Put Much Stock In Church Affiliations" ABSTRACT: The Wisconsin Assembly was scheduled to vote whether to override Gov. Jim Doyle's veto of a bill to allow concealed weapons, after it didn't have the two-thirds needed when noses were counted on Tuesday. The bill had previously passed both houses of the Legislature with the backing of most Republicans and a few complicit Democrats, and received the necessary two-thirds in the Senate to contradict the governor. Advocates of concealed weapons claim only left wingers oppose the legislation. These are some of the groups registered as lobbying against concealed weapons in Wisconsin: included is the National Association of Social Workers, the Wisconsin Chapter.

The February 16 edition of the Fond du Lac Reporter reported that Taycheedah Correctional Institution social worker Amy Schwartz stated that studies show that half of all female inmates are victims of domestic violence. The article also mentioned that 15 inmates of Taycheedah sat down with 3 social workers to share their stories of domestic violence.

Milwaukee area social worker Mary Guentner was quoted in a March 5 Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel article entitled, "Bill to curb clergy sex abuse passed by state Senate" Guentner, a Wisconsin spokeswoman for the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, criticized the State Senate's amendment to the clergy abuse bill that dropped clergy as mandatory reporters of child abuse and neglect. In the article, Guentner stated, "Along with being puzzling, it makes me angry both personally and professionally. No other profession has that kind of exclusion, and what it really translates into is not having to report any abuse, because then they (clergy) can use confidentiality and the seal of confession and not have to report anything." Guentner was also pictured in a March 10 edition of the Wisconsin State Journal as part of a candlelight vigil in front of the State Capitol. Guentner held a sign that read, "HELP US HEAL www.snapnetwork.org

Betty Kramer To Receive Award

University of Wisconsin, Madison Social Work Associate Professor Betty Kramer was recently informed that she has been selected to receive the prestigious Alumni Fellows Award by the University of Louisville. The Fellows Awards is given to alumni who are leaders in their professional fields. Nominations are from the Academic Colleges which are approved by the Alumni Association and then approved by the University Board of Trustees. Betty has accepted an invitation by the President to return to campus to receive the award in October and to provide several lectures during her visit for students and faculty in the Raymond A. Kent School of Social Work.

Branch News



State Representative Daniel LeMahieu (R) (right) poses for a photo with members of the Campbellsport Village Board including social worker, Wendy Volz Daniels during a local government appreciation dinner. Wendy is only the second woman to serve on the village board and is the first woman to be elected without having been initially appointed to a vacant seat. She was re-elected to a second two year term in April 2003. Wendy is currently the chair of NASWWisconsin Chapter Wisconsin Social Workers Political Action Committee (WI Social Workers PAC).

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No. 1 Presenter Bio: Mark A Mattaini, DSW, ACSW Mark Mattaini is Associate Professor and Director of the Doctoral Program, Jane Addams College of Social Work, University of Illinois at Chicago. His writing, research, and current practice focus on youth violence prevention, practice theory, and applied analysis of cultural networks to support social justice. Dr. Mattaini has been coordinator of the EACE POWER Working Group since 1994. The Peace Power projects emphasize the development of local strategies that are adapted to be consistent with local cultures and values within a matrix of shared power.

A Piece of the Trauma Puzzle: The Trauma of a Life-Threatening Illness 1 CEH

No. 2 Program Description: A Piece of the Trauma Puzzle: The Trauma of a Life-Threatening Illness The stressor criterion for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in the DSM-IV includes life-threatening illnesses as precipitating traumatic events. Recent research confirms the presence of PTSD in individuals and family members with life-threatening illnesses, such as cancer. This session will review the research on PTSD and cancer and present clinical implications for medical social workers.

No. 2 Presenter Bio: Linda Weitz MS, MSW, While completing her MSW degree from the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities, Linda Weitz, MS, MSW, interned on the Bone Marrow Transplant Unit at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota and on the Intensive Care and Cardiac Care Units at Wausau Hospital in Wausau, Wisconsin. Linda's clinical interests include implementing effective interventions for patients affected by the trauma of serious illness, incorporating research into medical social work practice, addressing grief and loss issues, and adapting a culturally competent practice. She is employed as a social work supervisor for Portage County.

Trauma And Grief With No End: Families Dealing With Serious Mental Illness 3 CEH's

No. 3 Program Description: Trauma And Grief With No End: Families Dealing With Serious Mental Illness. For over twenty years research findings have been consistent and clear: Educating family members about the serious mental illness of their loved one makes a huge difference, both to the families and their ill relative. The disgrace is that only 2% of agencies in the U.S. are providing this education! This workshop covers what families go though; looks at the abuses and uses of confidentiality; and then goes through the content and process of providing psycho education for families. The main goal is that you leave the workshop knowing how to provide this education.

No. 3 Presenter Bio: Mona Wasow has worked in the area of serious mental illness for twenty-five years, wearing three different hats: as a professor and field supervisor, a researcher, a family member. She reports these three hats often fight with each other, giving her varied and unique perspectives on the topic. She has been active in The National Alliances for the Mentally III, written three books and many articles on the topic, and has respect for the very different perspectives of people with mental illnesses, families, and professionals.

Mental Health, A Definition that Encourages a Focus on Client Strengths 1.5 CEH's

No. 4 Program Description: Mental Health, A Definition that Encourages a Focus on Client Strengths Social work has a long-standing tradition of working with individuals from a perspective of strengths. In the practice of clinical social work it can be difficult to maintain a strengths orientation in the midst of the pathology based diagnostic system. However, when provided with a clinically useful definition of mental health, social workers can focus on client strengths and health without losing sight of clinical issues associated with the client's problem or pathology. The focus of this session will be a model of mental health that appears to be clinically useful in assisting the clinician in maintaining the orientation to both health and problem.

No. 4 Presenter Bio: Gloria Fennell, RN, MSW, Ph.D. is currently a member of the Social Work faculty at the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire. Her professional career began as a registered nurse. She has an MSW from George Williams College and a Ph.D. in clinical social work from the Loyola University - Chicago. In addition to experience as a social work educator, she has worked as a clinical social worker, clinical supervisor, and school social worker.

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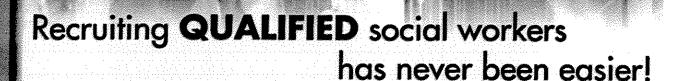
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Friday, April 30, 2004

Carthage College

Todd Wehr Building, Room 426 12:15 – 2:00pm Box lunch provided

Women's Addictions/Co-occurring Disorders

Presenter: Carol Faulk- Carol currently works for Aro Counseling Centers, Inc. providing AODA and mental health treatment. Her multi-faceted career has provided her with a wealth of treatment experience and knowledge in specialized areas. Ms. Faulk has completed both phases of the Pathological Gambling Training endorsed by the Wisconsin and National Councils on Problem Gambling and the Wisconsin Certification Board. This training enables her to address mental health and addiction issues.

Carol served as the Director for a Women's Recovery Center where she developed and implemented the program working with dependency, co-occurring and family issues. Ms. Falk has provided individual, family, marital and group counseling services specializing in issues of concern to women: menopause, aging, relationships, identity and boundaries women in recovery, depressions, bipolar disorder, panic disorder and domestic violence and sexual abuse. Her work experience has also included Ladd Lake, Waupun Correctional Facility and within Sheboygan and Ozaukee County jails.

Sponsored by Loyola MSW Program, Carthage College and Alcohol and Other Drug Council of Kenosha

Registration required: \$1.00 NASW members \$3.00 non-members

Space limited to first 48. Due by April 20. CEU's available Mail to R/K NASW, c/o Ellen Kupfer, 3701 75 Street, Kenosha, WI. 53142. For more information call Louise Gagliano- 262-605-6575

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Email	NASW member? Yes No

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

NASW WI Racine/Kenosha Branch Program

When: April 30 12:30-2:00 Where: Carthage College, Kenosha

For more information: Contact Louise Gagliano at 262-605-6575 or

lgaglian@kenosha.co.wi.us

The 8th Annual Campaign School

When: April 30, 2004 and May 1, 2004

Where: University of Connecticut School of Social Work, West

Hartford, Connecticut

For more information: www.ssw.uconn.edu/iapsw.htm or email

iapswp@uconnvm.uconn.edu

MAY

18th Annual State Conference on Alzheimer's Disease and Related

Disorders

When: May 2-4, 2004

Where: Marriott West Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin

For more information call 715-344-2929

Developing Skills to Use DBT More Effectively in Your Practice

When: May 14-15, 2004

Where: Manchester East Hotel & Suites, Milwaukee

For more information: Call 414-961-5520

NASW WI 30th Annual Conference

When: May 19-21, 2004

Where: Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield

For more information: Call NASW WI toll-free at (866) 462-7994 or

(608) 257-6334

Fourth International Conference on Social Work in Health and

Mental Health

When: May 23-27, 2004

Where: Convention Centre, Quebec, Canada For more information call 1-418-523-3555

HIV/AIDS 2004: The Social Work Response: The Sixteenth Annual

National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS When: Thursday May 27-Sunday May 30, 2004 Where: The Capital Hilton Hotel, Washington, DC

For more information call 617-552-4038

JUNE

11th Annual National Foster Care Conference "Footsteps

to the Future"

When: June 3-5, 2004

Where: Atlantic Beach, Florida

For more information call 1-800-266-7612

Social Workers Section

When: June 9, 2004 9:00 A.M.

Where: Department of Regulation & Licensing, 1400 E. Washington

Avenue, Madison

For more information: Call 608-266-2112

Advanced Ethics and Boundaries

When: June 18, 2004, 10:00-4:00 P.M.

Where: Great Wolf Lodge & Convention Center, Wisconsin Dells Call NASW WI toll-free at 866-462-7994 or toll call 608-257-6334

AUGUST

Scotland 2004 Mental Health Care in a Socialized Health System

When: August 3-August 18, 2004 Where: Edinburgh, Scotland

For more information: Call 1-800-839-4584

SEPTEMBER

Overview of DBT Skills Module

When: September 17, 2004

Where: Columbia St. Mary's Columbia Campus Auditorium

Milwaukee

For more information: Call 1-800-839-4584

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When: September 19-22, 2004

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NASW Wisconsin Chapter 2004 Workshop

Advanced Ethics and Boundaries

Great Wolf Lodge and Convention Center

Wisconsin Dells, WI Friday June 18th, 2004

The Presenter Claudette McShane, MSW, PhD

The Workshop Content:

- Overview of MPSW 20 & NASW Code of Ethics
- Presentation of ethical decision making models.
- · Consideration of diversity issues.
- Case examples & ethical dilemmas
- · Small group discussions

Attendees should have either taken Basic Ethics & Boundaries or gained a solid understanding of the NASW Code of Ethics.

Note:

Great Wolf Lodge will offer a reduced Thursday evening and weekend rate For hotel reservations call 1-800-559-9653, reference you are with the NASW group and give them the following code: 3AO37Y

A morning beverage and lunch will be provided. Participants will receive a certificate for 5 continuing education hours (CEH's) upon completion.

Registration: 9 am-10 am. Workshop: 10 am-4 pm.

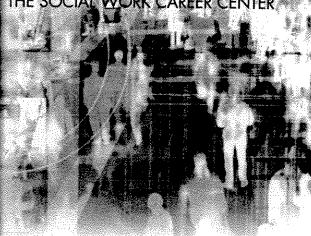
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